



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Tommy K. Eng

Appl. No.: 10/040,852

Filed: December 28, 2001

**For: Creating Optimized Physical Implementations
from High-Level Descriptions of Electronic
Design Using Placement Based Information**

Confirmation No.: 4831

Art Unit: 2825

Examiner: Thuan V. Do

Atty. Docket: 2210.0020002

Reply to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated March 31, 2005, Applicant submits the following Amendment. As stated in the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, the original reply need not be resubmitted in its entirety, but only the corrected "Amendments to the Claims" section need be submitted. Applicants have thus attached hereto a complete listing of all the claims with proper status identifiers. Reconsideration of the Amendment and Reply filed March 18, 2005, supplemented with the following Amendments to the Claims section, is respectfully requested.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

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Conclusion

All of the stated grounds of objection and rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider all presently outstanding objections and rejections and that they be withdrawn. Applicant believes that a full and complete reply has been made to the outstanding Office Action and, as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Prompt and favorable consideration of this Amendment and Reply is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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